

REMARKS

Claims 1 and 27-29 have been amended. No new matter is added. Upon entry of this amendment, Claims 1, 3 and 23-30 will be under examination. Consideration of the present application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph

In the Non-Final Office Action mailed November 6, 2008, the Examiner rejected claims 27-29 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph as being indefinite. The Examiner notes there is insufficient antecedent basis for the limitation of "...wherein the secretory phospholipase A2 inhibitor...."

Claims 27-29 have been amended to replace the term "the secretory phospholipase A2 inhibitor" with oleyloxyethylphosphocholine. Applicants submit the amendment to claims 27-29 renders the rejection moot and respectfully request that it be withdrawn.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph

In the Non-Final Office Action mailed November 6, 2008, the Examiner rejected claims 1, 3, 23, 24, and 27-30 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph as failing to comply with the written description requirement.

Claim 1 has been amended to recite 0.1ug/kg/day to 100mg/kg/day. As noted by the Examiner, support for the amendment can be found on page 15, lines 9-10. Applicants submit the amendment to the claims renders the rejection moot and respectfully request that it be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

The foregoing is submitted as a full and complete response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed November 6, 2008, and early and favorable consideration of the claims is requested. If the Examiner believes any informalities remain in the application that may be corrected by Examiner's amendment, or there are any other issues which can be resolved by telephone interview, a telephone call to the undersigned agent at (404) 572-2447 is respectfully solicited.

No further fees are believed to be due in connection with this response. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment of fees to Deposit Account No. 11-0980.

Respectfully submitted,

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